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Iron Sharpeneth Iron

“ask and you shall receive;

seek and you shall find;

knock and it shall be opened to you.”

Luke 11:9, 17

We're back. Yes, the winter snow has let up just enough for us to get a meeting in. Do we really have five more weeks of winter? President **Mike Smith** promptly introduced **Jerry Schwendeman** who aptly led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and, changing hats, became the song leader. *The Air Force Song, Sunnyside of the Street, and Summertime* were his choices. **George Stockbridge** superbly tinkled the ivories to our delight. **Bill Dynan** also doubled up as the Corresponding Secretary and then eulogized **Eugene Carey**, who left us on Monday, February 3, 2014. Gene was a Greenwich resident for over 50 years and active in the community. Online condolences may be sent to leopgallaghergreenwich.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Tim Nolan** has a ROMEO luncheon waiting for all you hungry guys at the Field Club on February 19 following our regular weekly meeting. Give him a check now before it starts to snow again. Choice of chicken or fish is \$40. See or call **Tim** at 203 661-6749. **George Stockbridge** (203-637-1390) reported that La Boehme will be shown at the Bow Tie Criterion on Railroad Ave. in Greenwich on February 26 at 7PM. It's a London Royal Covent Garden Opera production. \$10 at door. Additionally, the next Met Live HD performance of "Prince Igor" will occur on March 1 at theaters in Fairfield, Ridgefield, New Rochelle, White Plains and the Bronx. The RMA opera group plans to attend La Cenerentola in NYC at the Metropolitan Opera House on May 9. Call **George** for details. **Mike Smith** was pleased to announce that the *Greenwich Times* printed a story on our very own **Bob Oppenheimer**, who at 99 years of age attends our weekly meetings regularly.

Walkers: No walkers tomorrow. Yes. it finally got too cold, even for **Tad**.

Returns: **Peter Ryan** from Palm Springs, Ca., **Serge Gabriel** from Oahu, Hawaii, and **Bob Stone** from Cancun.

Visiting: **Chuck Standard** said that **Dick Radcliffe** and **George Evans** are still having difficulties. Welcome back **Al Hartig**.

Program: **John Caron** will introduce today's speaker, Russell S. Reynolds. **John deCsepel** reported on next week's speaker, Mr. Fountain of the Gideon Fountain Real Estate.

Membership: **Don Sargeant** filling in **Jim Fahy's** shoes and doing a grand job of it, announced that 125 members were in attendance, with 3 candidates present: Bob Zipf, John Morrison and Tom Duffy. Two guests were Mike Hayden g/o **Gerry Mayfield**, and Dick Ford g/o **Win Adkins**.

Birthday Boys: Gran Burgess 66, Bill Osgood 77, Harold Frost 79, Charlie Mosher and Jack Sweger 82, Bob Alden 85 and Bob Johnson 86.

Volunteer: Harry Twitchell reported 482 hours to outside agencies by 48 men and 105 RMA hours by 19 men. Dick Case reported 37 hours.

FUN & GAMES: Bridge: Kurt Schaffir was nowhere to be found. The snow even cancelled our bridge game. What's to become of us?

TODAY'S SPEAKER

Russell S. Reynolds, Jr.

Lessons From An Executive

A soft-spoken man with a very interesting story came before us on this frozen, single-digit day. Russell Reynolds, founder and Chairman of RSR Partners, began an exciting life starting in Greenwich 82 years ago. He related his life story with an easy manner and well-placed humor. It began with his early days at Yale, his graduating, meeting his wife, and attending ROTC, which led to the rank of First Lieutenant in the Strategic Air Command. Mr. Reynolds then left his job and decided to start his own business.

Russell Reynolds, considered one of the pioneers of today's executive search profession, has counseled the chairmen, presidents and CEOs of many of the world's top companies. He was presented the Gardner W. Heidrick Award by the Association of Executive Search Consultants for outstanding contributions to the profession in April 1999. He preaches and practices self-reliance. He reminded me of an old advertisement that you may recognize - "We earned it". Yes, Mr. Reynolds has what it takes to bring a company to global recognition and has the demeanor to accomplish whatever he sets out to do. A good speaker and a good citizen of Greenwich.

Ralph Viggiano -Editor

SPECIAL EVENTS

Checks are to be made out to: RMA. Open to all members, their ladies, candidates and guests.

Mar 13 New York Simulation Center -Lunch at Coppolas East 14 places available. Tickets \$85 p/p. Leaving St. Catherine at 8:15 a.m.

April 17 Norman Rockwell Museum -Lunch at Red Lion Inn 9 places available. Tickets \$80 p/p. Leaving St. Catherine at 8:00 a.m.

May 22 Goodspeed - Damn Yankees -Lunch at Gelston House 30 places available. Tickets \$114 p/p. Leaving St. Catherine at 9:30 a.m.

Special Events Chairman **Rich Limbacker 531-9515** or **Gerry Lessuk 698-9451**

NEXT WEEK

Gideon Fountain -of Sotheby's International Realty: "Adventures in Greenwich Real Estate"

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